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Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

November 7, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following change to Area No. 21-E, Hockomock Bay to Robinhood Cove (Woolwich to Georgetown): This notice removes the Prohibited area on Reynolds Point (Georgetown) due to the remediation of a point source of pollution and water quality meeting approved standards. All existing pollution and red tide/psp closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:

1. Sasanoa and Back Rivers: South and east of a line running across the Sasanoa River at the green #23 day marker at Upper Hell Gate; AND east of a line beginning at the south tip of Hockomock Point (Woolwich), then running southeast to the northern tip of Flying Point (Georgetown); AND north of a line formed by the Five Islands Road bridge from Arrowsic to Georgetown.
2. Knubble Bay: South of a line beginning at the southern tip of Beal Island then running due west to the opposite shore; AND west of a line beginning at the southern tip of Beal island then running southwest to a red painted post located on the northern tip of a prominent point of land due east of Seidmen Ledges Road.
3. Tarbox Cove (Westport): northeast of a line beginning at the south tip of Willis Point, then running southeast to the south tip of Pea Point.
4. Bailey Cove (Westport): east of a line beginning at the south tip of Bailey Point, running southeast to the south tip of Round Cove Point.
5. Riggs Cove (Georgetown): South of a line beginning at a red painted post located on a prominent point of land north of Robinhood Marina and running southeast to the northern tip of Lowe Point; AND north of a line beginning at the northern tip of Lowe Point then running due west to a red painted post located on the opposite shore.
6. Southwest lobe of Robinhood Cove (Georgetown): south of the Route 127 bridge AND north of a line beginning at the east end of the bridge, running southwest to the old stone dam, located approximately 50 yards south of the west end of the bridge.
7. Southeast lobe of Robinhood Cove (Georgetown): south of a line beginning at the west end of the Route 127 bridge and running northeast to a red painted post on the eastern shore of Robinhood Cove AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the east shore, approximately 400 yards south of the bridge, running ~~due~~ west across the cove to the opposite shore.

~~8. Reynolds Point (Georgetown): north of a line beginning at the southeast tip of Reynolds Point running east to the southern tip of Birch Island; AND west and south of a line running from the north tip of Birch Island parallel to the shore approximately 500 yards, then running west to the north tip of Reynolds Point.~~

B. Effective immediately, because of non-point source pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from shores, flats, and waters of the following areas. These areas are classified Restricted and require a special MDMR permit.

1. Hockomock Bay: south of a line beginning at the tip of Hockomock Point (Woolwich), then running northeast to the southwestern-most tip of Phipps Point (Woolwich), then running southeast to the south tip of Hubbard Point (Westport Island); AND east of a line starting at the south tip of Hockomock Point (Woolwich), then running southeast to the northern-most tip of Flying Point (Georgetown), AND north of a line running from the southernmost tip of Beal Island due west to the opposite shore, AND west of a line beginning at the southern tip of Willis Point (Westport Island), then running in a southerly direction to a red painted located on Beal Island.
2. Unnamed Cove (Westport): northeast of a line beginning at the south tip of an unnamed point approximately 63 yards south from the end of Red Gate Ln running southeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore.

C. Effective immediately, because of intermittent seasonal pollution due to the presence of a marina, the shores, flats, and waters in the following areas have been classified as Conditionally Approved, and shall be closed to the harvest of clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels from May 1 through November 15:

1. West of a line beginning at the eastern tip of "The Knubble" and running southeast to the northern tip of Lowe Point; AND north of a line beginning at the northern tip of Lowe Point and running northwest to a red painted post located on a prominent point of land north of Robinhood Marina.
2. South of a line beginning at the northern tip of Lowe Point and running west to a red painted post on the opposite shore; AND north of a line beginning at a red painted post located at the southern tip of a prominent point of land approximately 400 yards due south of the end of Stone Bridge Lane and running due east to a red painted post on the opposite shore.

If you have questions, please contact Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9500 Email: DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov. During **weekends/holidays**, contact on duty Marine Patrol Officers through the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html>. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,



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Commissioner's Designee – Director, Bureau of Public Health

11:15 AM
(Effective Time)



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